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1. Between January and May work was completed on 327 culverts, 76 small bridges, 554 feet of large bridges, and 3,064 feet of medium-size bridges on the Ch'engtu-Chungking Railroad. During May alone work was completed on 32 culverts, 24 small bridges, 105 feet of large bridges, and 702 feet of medium-size bridges on this railroad.

2. In late May the Ch'engtu-Kantzu (09-59, 31-38) section of the Szechuan-Sikang highway was officially opened to traffic.

3. The Liuchiang (109- , 24-) railroad bridge between Liuchou and Manning was repaired in January and the Liuchiang highway suspension bridge was repaired in March.

4. In early June the railroad between Manning and Chennankuan (106-41, 21-58) was completed, except for 25 kilometers between Chennankuan and P'inghsiang (106-44, 22-06), and is expected to be open for traffic by the end of June. Railroad bridges at Yungshiang (108-00, 22-00), Mingming (107-07, 22-09), and Mingchiang have all been completed.

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6. Since early April units of the Chinese Communist 45 Army under TUAN Shu-ch'uan (段舒權) with headquarters in Kueih sien (109-40, 23-02) have been sent to aid public security detachments in the extermination of guerrillas along the railroad and highways between Liuchou and Nanning. By early June 20,000 guerrillas had been wiped out. Two public security detachments, called Lu Shun (旅順) and Chien Chiang (堅強), have been stationed along these lines to assure traffic safety and to facilitate shipments to Vietnam.
7. In early June defense construction along the Hunan-Kwangsi Railroad, such as camouflaged fox holes and fire-proof warehouse, were completed. People along the railroad are well-trained in air defense work and Nanning residents are prepared for air raid alerts. No anti-aircraft guns are visible. Air defense work in Kweilin, Liuchou, and Nanning is being carried out successfully.
8. In early June the Southwest China Telecommunications Administration was planning the construction of a medium-size radio station at Kantzu.

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